

the treatment of Category 642, or to comment on domestic production or availability of products included in Category 642, is invited to submit 10 copies of such comments or information to Troy H. Cribb, Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; ATTN: Helen L. LeGrande. The comments received will be considered in the context of the consultations with the Government of Nepal.

Because the exact timing of the consultations is not yet certain, comments should be submitted promptly. Comments or information submitted in response to this notice will be available for public inspection in the Office of Textiles and Apparel, room H3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Further comments may be invited regarding particular comments or information received from the public which the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements considers appropriate for further consideration.

The solicitation of comments regarding any aspect of the implementation of an agreement is not a waiver in any respect of the exemption contained in 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1) relating to matters which constitute "a foreign affairs function of the United States."

The United States remains committed to finding a solution concerning Category 642. Should such a solution be reached in consultations with the Government of Nepal, further notice will be published in the Federal Register.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see Federal Register notice 59 FR 65531, published on December 20, 1994).

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Statement of Serious Damage
Nepal

Man-made Fiber Skirts—Category 642
November 1995

Import Situation and Conclusion

U.S. imports of manmade fiber skirts, Category 642, from Nepal reached 92,081 dozen for the year-ending August 1995, three times the 29,006 dozen imported during the same period a year earlier. Imports from Nepal during the year-ending August 1995 were 1.9 percent of total U.S. imports of Category

642 and were equivalent to 2.1 percent of U.S. domestic production of Category 642 for the year-ending June 1995.

U.S. imports of manmade fiber skirts from Nepal in Category 642 during the first eight months of 1995 entered the U.S. at an average landed duty-paid value of \$49.59 per dozen, 67 percent below the average U.S. producers' price for manmade fiber skirts.

The sharp and substantial increase of low-valued Category 642 imports from Nepal is causing serious damage to the U.S. domestic industry producing manmade fiber skirts.

U.S. Production, Import Penetration, and Market Share

U.S. production of manmade fiber skirts, Category 642, increased from 5,119,000 dozen in 1992 to 5,227,000 dozen in 1993, an increase of 2 percent. Domestic production of Category 642 fell to 4,610,000 dozen in 1994, 12 percent below the 1993 level and 10 percent below the 1992 level. Domestic production of Category 642 continued to decline in 1995, falling to 2,347,000 dozen in the first half of 1995, 7 percent below the January-June 1994 level. In contrast, imports of Category 642 increased from 3,819,000 dozen in 1992 to 4,177,000 dozen in 1994, a 9 percent increase. Category 642 imports continue to increase in 1995, reaching 3,657,467 dozen during January-August 1995, 28 percent above the January-August 1994 level.

The ratio of imports to domestic production increased from 75 percent in 1992 to 91 percent in 1994, and reached 113 percent in the first half of 1995. The share of the U.S. market for manmade fiber skirts held by domestic manufacturers fell from 60 percent in 1992 to 55 percent in 1994, and to 48 percent during January-June 1995.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement for Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation's Proposed North Expansion Tailings Modernization Project in Salt Lake County, UT.

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Sacramento District, Utah Field Office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)

for the Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation (Kennecott) proposed North Expansion Tailings Modernization Project (Project) in Salt Lake County, Utah. The proposed Project provides tailings storage capacity required for the next 25 to 30 years of Kennecott's operation. The FEIS is available for public review at the Salt Lake City Library, Main Branch, 209 East 500 South and the Salt Lake County Library System, Magna Branch, 8339 West 3500 South. Copies for distribution are available from Mr. Michael A. Schwinn, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District, Utah Regulatory Office, 1403 South 600 West, Suite A, Bountiful, Utah 84010.

DATES: A public hearing will be held at 6:00 pm on January 18, 1996 at the Olympus Hotel and Conference Center, Wasatch 2 Conference Room, 161 West 600 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The 30 day waiting period prior to the Record of Decision ends January 18, 1996.

ADDRESSES: To obtain a copy of the FEIS, contact Mr. Michael A. Schwinn, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District, Utah Regulatory Office, 1403 South 600 West, Suite A, Bountiful, Utah 84010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for a copy of the FEIS or questions to Mr. Michael A. Schwinn, Project Manager, (801) 295-8380.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Kennecott is proposing to expand its existing tailings impoundment by approximately 3500 acres. The proposed Project site is directly to the north and northwest of the existing tailings impoundment. Kennecott has identified two primary needs for the proposed Project. First, as the existing tailings impoundment is nearing its operational capacity, Kennecott requires approximately 1.9 billion tons of storage capacity to support mining and concentrating operations for the next 25 to 30 years. Since only approximately 0.3 to 0.4 billion tons of this material will be stored in the existing impoundment, additional capacity is required. The second need is for a seismic upgrade to the existing tailings impoundment. As more information has recently become available regarding the seismic nature of the Salt Lake Valley, Kennecott has identified a need to upgrade the existing facility. Accordingly, the proposed action includes various engineering measures to upgrade the existing facility in the event of a large earthquake.

The proposed Project would provide approximately 3500 acres of additional tailings storage area. Approximately 1.6 billion tons of tailings would be stored

in the proposed impoundment with an ultimate height of approximately 250 feet. Site preparation activities would include relocation of the Union Pacific Railroad mainline tracks, relocation of the C-7 Ditch, relocation of utility lines, the construction of a new bridge on Highway 202 over the relocated railroad lines, and modification of the Interstate 80 on and off ramps at the intersection with Highway 202.

Since the proposed action affects jurisdictional waters of the United States, Kennecott submitted a Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit Application to the Corps on June 10, 1994. The Corps determined that an EIS was required prior to making a permit decision.

The Corps published a notice of intent to prepare a DEIS for the proposed action on August 19, 1994 in the Federal Register. A public scoping meeting was held on September 19, 1994 and the written comment period remained open until November 7, 1994. A Draft EIS was released on April 28, 1995 and the public comment period closed on June 27, 1995.

Twelve alternatives are identified and analyzed in accordance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Section 404(b)(1) guidelines for their technical, logistic, and economic practicability in the FEIS. The North Expansion West, the North Expansion East, and the No Action alternatives are carried forward for complete analysis in the FEIS.

The FEIS has been prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Corps implementing procedures in 33 CFR 230, the Council for Environmental Quality regulations for implementing NEPA in 40 CFR 1500, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 404(b)(1) guidelines in 40 CFR 230.

The FEIS was filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for publication of its availability.

Dated: December 12, 1995.

Jack V. Scherer,

LTC, EN, Deputy Commander.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of School-to-Work Opportunities, Advisory Council for School-to-Work Opportunities; Notice of Open Meetings

SUMMARY: The Advisory Council for School-to-Work Opportunities was

established by the Departments of Education and Labor to advise the Departments on implementation of the School-to-Work Opportunities Act. The Council shall assess the progress of School-to-Work Opportunities systems development and program implementation; make recommendations regarding progress and implementation of the School-to-Work Opportunities initiative; advise on the effectiveness of the new Federal role in providing venture capital to States and localities to develop School-to-Work systems and act as advocates for implementing the School-to-Work framework on behalf of their stakeholders.

TIME AND PLACE: The Advisory Council for School-to-Work Opportunities will have an open meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 1996 from 1:00 p.m. to approximately 2:15 p.m. and on Thursday, January 11 from 1:00 p.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m. at the Washington Court Hotel, 525 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001-1527. During the interim, Council members will work in small groups to develop and present strategic plans for the consideration of the whole Council.

AGENDA: The agenda for the meeting on Tuesday, January 9 from 1:00 p.m. -2:15 p.m. will include opening remarks, an overview of the role of the Advisory Council and introduction of participants. The agenda for the meeting on Thursday, January 11 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. will include reports from the various work groups, a conference summary and a discussion of future actions.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The meetings on January 9 from 1:00-2:15 p.m. and on January 11 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. will be open to the public. Seats will be reserved for the media. Individuals with disabilities in need of special accommodations should contact the Designated Federal Official (DFO), listed below, at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: JD Hoye, Designated Federal Official (DFO), Advisory Council for School-to-Work Opportunities, Office of School-to-Work Opportunities, 400 Virginia Avenue, SW, Room 210, Washington, DC 202/401-6222, (This is not a toll free number.)

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 15th day of December 1995.

Timothy M. Barnicle,
Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Patricia W. McNeil,
Assistant Secretary of Education.

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Office of Postsecondary Education

Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant Programs

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of the closing date for institutions to file an "Application for Institutional Participation" (ED Form E40-34P, OMB #1840-0098) to participate in the Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant programs for the 1996-97 award year.

SUMMARY: The Secretary invites currently ineligible institutions of higher education that filed a Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participate (FISAP) (ED Form 646-1) in one or more of the "campus-based programs" for the 1996-97 award year to submit to the Secretary an "Application for Institutional Participation" and all documents required for an eligibility and certification determination.

The campus-based programs are the Federal Perkins Loan Program, the Federal Work-Study Program, and the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant Program and are authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. The 1996-97 award year is July 1, 1996, through June 30, 1997.

DATE: Closing Date for Filing Application and Required Documents. To participate in the campus-based programs in the 1996-97 award year, a currently ineligible institution must mail or hand-deliver its "Application for Institutional Participation" on or before January 22, 1996. The application along with all documents required for an eligibility and certification determination must be submitted to the Institutional Participation Division at one of the addresses indicated below.

ADDRESSES: Applications and Required Documents Delivered by Mail. An institutional participation application and required documents delivered by mail must be addressed to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education, Institutional